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On the 10th April, at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Singapore, by the Rev. W. H. C. Dunckerley, JOHN J. HATCHER to LAURENTINA GUANER, of Surinam, England.

**The Daily Press.**

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LONDON OFFICE: 131, FLEET STREET, E.C.

HONGKONG, 25th April, 1901.

In the course of the enquiries made by the Food Supply Commission last summer the subject of the possibility of making the New Territory supply cattle for the Hongkong market to a far greater extent than it does at present came up more than once. On the evidence of Inspector J. T. CORRON the average weight of cattle imported from the New Territory is from 200 to 300 cwt., compared with 600 to 700 from Huifung and 400 to 500 from Canton and Lin Chow. In the examination of Mr. C. VIVIAN LADDS, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, the following passage occurred, as related in the report of the Commission:—

Dr. HARTIGAN.—“We have heard evidence about the difficulty of feeding cattle in the New Territory, and one of the points was that the grass that would be required to feed them was all used up in smoking and burning bottoms of junk.”

A.—“That is all rubbish.”

Q.—“And there is no reason why we should not have cattle on the New Ter-

ritory?”

A.—“Not a bit. I say that the New Territory ought to provide 10,000 cattle.”

Here it may be noted that in 1899-23,582 head of cattle were used in the Colony; so that in the judgment of Mr. LADDS the New Territory should be able to supply between a half and a third of the total quantity required, instead of considerably less than a quarter, as at present. Again on the evidence of one of the two leading Chinese butchers there is “a lot more cattle wanted in Hongkong”; and on the testimony of Inspector CORRON the dealers in Hongkong do not buy the best kind of cattle, and the breed on the New Territory requires improvement.

It appears therefore from the evidence before the Commission that there is

ample scope for cattle breeding in the New Territory, which supplies the present time an inadequate quantity and an inferior quality. Meanwhile the Colony labours under the burden of enormously increased prices for beef, amounting to a rise of 33 per cent. in the last five years. A similar state of affairs exists with regard to pork, the New Territory apparently also a very promising field for pig-breeding. Mr. LADDS, asked before the Commission to suggest a practical method with regard to cattle-raising in the New Territory, advised that the Government should purchase a number of calves at so much a head, and distribute them over the various districts to every head man in each village and to deserving people in those villages, one to each, under a distinct understanding that they are to raise them for the Hongkong market, and when they are full-grown and sold that they are to repay to the Government the money which the animal cost. There seems on the surface no objection to Mr. LADDS's scheme, and we do not know what objection the Government could find to it. The question is one which we should like to see carefully discussed, and if it is not proved that such a scheme is impracticable we hope that time will not be lost in putting it into execution. No more feasible method of fighting the “ring” which has raised the price of meat was brought forward before the Food Supply Commission, and the Commission itself endorsed the suggestion when it recommended the Government to “encourage the villagers of the New Territory to breed cattle by providing them with funds for the purchase of stock (to be repaid when the animal is brought to market) or with heifers from a Government stockyard. It is now three years since the New Territory passed into British hands. It is time therefore that some efforts were made to convert it into something else than a heavy and unmitigated expense to the Colony. No doubt the elaborate system of land registration which the Government is carrying out is very important, but we cannot see that it need stop every attempt to begin making the Territory do something toward paying its way. Otherwise it merely remains a “white elephant” for years to come.

The French mail of the 25th March was delivered in London on the 23rd inst.

In a Government Gazette extraordinary published yesterday Manila was proclaimed “a port or place at which an infectious or contagious disease prevails.”

The *Maiching*, which arrived from coast ports yesterday, reports the French cruiser *Préant* and Japanese cruiser *Idzumi* and *Suma* at Amoy on the 22nd inst.

We are requested to state that the sale of the estate of the late Dr. A. P. de Carvalho will take place at 2 p.m. sharp on Saturday, instead of at 2.30 p.m. as previously advertised.

During the 24 hours ending at noon yesterday there were reported six fresh cases of plague, with six deaths (all Chinese); and two fresh cases of small-pox, with two deaths (Chinese).

Among the departures by the *Empress of India* yesterday was the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, C.M.G., Colonial Secretary, who is now convalescent and goes to Japan for a holiday. Mr. A. Michie left by the same boat for England.

The East Asiatic Trading Co. informed us yesterday that they were in receipt of a telegram from Ningpo from the captain of the *s.s. Hainan*—reading as follows:—“*Hainan* total loss, Taichow Islands; passengers, crew saved.”

It is possible that a large number of acres of arable land at Tai-po will shortly be the property of a Chinese syndicate. They intend to cultivate it in three or four different lots, and have already made arrangements for importing the latest designed ploughing machinery. A large proportion of the capital necessary has been subscribed, and it is said a Shanghai capitalist is the chief promoter of the scheme. We have made enquiries, and find that the venture is the result of the report of the Food Supply Commission, and that the idea is to cultivate the land and supply the Hongkong market with potatoes, cabbages, &c. For the conveyance of the products to the Hongkong market a number of launches and junks will be employed, and a good return upon the capital invested is anticipated.

In the report to be submitted to-day to the annual meeting of shareholders in and subscribers to the City Hall, it appears from the accounts that the balance in the hands of the Hon. Treasurer on 30th July, 1900, when the accounts up to 30th June, 1900, were closed, was \$2,728.51, showing a gain on the year's working of \$21.95. There is also a reserve fund consisting of \$13,542.55 on fixed deposits with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, including interest up to 24th June, 1900. The expenditure on repairs during the 12 months ending 30th June, 1900, amounted to \$2,025.42, including \$1,000 for repairing the exterior of the building, mentioned in last year's report. The interior of the theatre, the halls, staircases and entrance halls require redecoration, and it is hoped that this work will soon be taken in hand. There has been no change in the Committee.

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During the past six months over 1,000 Chinamen have arrived in California, to earn their living as boot-makers and carpenters.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, Assistant Superintendent of Police, goes to India to-day by the steamer *Lightning* for a year's study of police duties in the Punjab.

The course for the 12th Club Race of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club on Sunday, 29th inst., the Hon. Secretary states, will be No. 23, and not as previously stated.

The body of Walter Pugh, the stoker on H.M.S. *Humber* who was drowned whilst bathing in Taiwan Bay, Kowloon, on Saturday afternoon, was recovered on Tuesday and taken to the mortuary.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherese Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the fund of the Hospitals:—Deutsch-Asiatische Bank, \$25.

An allowance of 1s. 6d. a day will in future be issued to officers serving with the local companies of the Royal Engineers at Singapore who attain proficiency in the language of the native soldiers under their command.

A Shanghai telegram to Japan says that the contemplated transfer to the German flag of the aforesaid shipping company, the price for which was to be deducted out of the indemnity due to Germany, has been abandoned, owing to a strong protest from the Chinese Government.

The rough total of the recent Palang census comes to 53,500 odd, being an increase of some 20,500 over the 1891 figures. In the State Annual Report for 1898 the population was estimated at 80,000, so that the increase during the two succeeding years is on a somewhat lower ratio than that during the previous eight.

We understand there is considerable dissatisfaction among the European employees of the Sanitary Board concerning the non-receipt of their sanctioned increase of pay. They compare their condition with the prison-wardens and the police, and state that while they are working on the old scale of pay, the others are reaping the benefit of the recent official increment.

According to the *Singapore Free Press* a home paper says:—“A young lady walking past a Berlin butcher's shop three days ago wearing a hat (sic) with a fox's head was set upon and severely bitten by the butcher's dog, who was attracted by the head of the animal.” Evidently the dog thought the young lady to be on the wrong track, but she may be expected to steer clear of such innovations in toilet for the future.

According to a Japanese paper, the various undertakings which have been carried on since 1897 by the Japanese Government in connection with the establishment of a new Admiralty station at Maizuru, on the coast opposite the eastern shore of Siberia, were almost completed at the end of last year. Work on the structures is now proceeding so rapidly that the new Admiralty port may be formally opened early in November.

Last night at the Hongkong Club Mr. John Roberts met over the billiard table Mr. A. G. Stokes, who was chosen to uphold the fame of this port. Mr. Roberts conceded 650 points in 1,000. Mr. Stokes reached his 800 to the Champion's 805, but by the interval the latter had put on another 100 while Mr. Stokes was at 803. On resumption, with breaks of 107 and 123, Mr. Roberts caught his opponent at 854, and finally won by 67 points. H.E. the Governor was amongst the spectators.

The lawn tennis results in the H.K.C.C. tournaments yesterday were as follows:—Double Handicap—C. M. G. Burnie and A. B. Rouse, 3/6, beat H. J. Gedge and Wei On, 2/6 (6-2, 4-4, 8-6); A. class Handicap—A. Humphreys, 2/6, beat J. A. Jupp, 1/6 (6-3, 6-2); Professional Pairs—E. J. Grist and T. Sarcombe Smith beat C. H. Gale and J. Lee (6-2, 6-1); Championship—P. A. Cox beat E. P. Mackay (6-2, 6-2, 6-2). Today's fixtures are: Captain Wymouth v. A. Brook Smith, E. G. Barrett v. H. W. Slade, H. Finckney v. E. P. Mackay.

The Colonial cricket campaign came to an end in February, and the season's averages for the games between the three great states of Victoria, New South Wales and South Australia are now public property. Clement Hill, the great left-hand batsman, heads the list with 620 runs for six completed innings, giving him the phenomenal average in class contests of 103.39, but this extraordinary state of things is largely brought about by his gigantic score of 365 (not out) against New South Wales. The medical student L. Poidevrit is second, with 77.50 for two completed innings, Syd Gregory third, with 71.66; for six. Victor Trumper fourth, with 65.42 for seven. Harry Stuckey fifth, with 58.75 for four, and M. A. Nobis sixth, with 50.23 for seven. The three best bowlers have been F. Saunders, of Victoria, 31 wickets for 16.19 runs each; J. Travers, Australia, 29 for 20.75 each; and J. Marsh, the New South Wales blackman, 24 for 23.66 each. It is worth noting that both Hill and Stuckey are left-handed batsmen, and that both Saunders and Travers are left-handed bowlers.

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For a considerable time a great many steam-launches, foreign and Chinese, have been plying between this port and different riverine stations, a business which, I believe, is a very remunerative one. On Friday last, while the British launch *Hong An*, owned by Mr. J. Watts, of Hongkong, was on her way to Tat-poon, a place about 15 miles distant from here, owing to the shallowness of the water at some of the places she got on a mudbank. At the time the launch carried a large number of passengers, and with a view to lightening her, so as to get her off the bank, three sampans were hauled alongside and all the passengers discharged into them. This procedure had the desired effect and the launch soon got off. The passengers then commenced re-embarking, but it so happened that one of the sampans didn't manage to reach the launch in time, and the latter departed to her destination. Those so left behind naturally felt greatly exasperated and when they eventually got to Tat-poon proceeded on board the steam-launch and giving vent to their outraged feelings, demolished everything they laid their hands on. When they considered themselves satisfied they left the launch. As good luck, or otherwise, would have it, two of the crowd did not make their escape hastily enough, and were consequently brought down to Swatow. On their arrival here the two Chinese were handed over to the Taoposes and the circumstances reported to the British Consul.

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The following is the correspondence read at a meeting of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce on the 19th inst.:—  
THE REGULATION OF SAILING CRAFT IN THE HONGKONG HARBOUR.  
HONGKONG, 19th March, 1901.  
SIR,  
The attention of my Committee has been drawn to the necessity of having some amendment in the regulations for controlling and directing the navigation of sailing craft within the narrow waters of the Colony.  
These regulations provide that vessels propelled by steam must give place to vessels driven by wind, and are fair and reasonable when applied to navigation in the open sea, but when applied to the approach to the wharves, and to the narrow waters of the harbour, they are found to be inadequate, and in many cases dangerous. It is proposed to amend the regulations so that sailing craft, whose presence frequently is to cross their bows, and who never consequently right of way to steamers.  
The latest instance of disaster resulting from this practice was afforded by the experience of the Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Arcturion*, which, in endeavouring to avoid a junk standing in her way, went ashore in Stanley Channel, causing a heavy loss of life, and also to the vessel's destruction.  
To obviate such disasters in the future, the Committee would suggest that, as far as the harbour entrance is concerned, the responsibility of keeping out of the way of incoming and outgoing steamers should be thrown on the small sailing vessels as is done in Singapore, where the following rule has been enacted in the local Port Regulations:—  
“LOCAL PORT REGULATIONS.  
“All sailing craft, boats, or junks going through the New Harbour are to keep out of the way of the steamers and should they have to anchor anywhere so well in shore, and at night to keep a light burning above the rail and visible at a distance of one mile.”  
The Committee are of opinion that if some similar regulation were to be enforced in the narrow waters of this Colony, it would tend to lessen the difficulties of entering or leaving a crowded harbour, and would at the same time impose no great hardship on the junk owners and crews of active craft, who at present exercise little discretion in handling their vessels and show no consideration of larger steamers.  
I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,  
R. CHATTERTON WILCOX,  
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**THE PUBLICATION OF QUARANTINE NOTICES.**  
Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1901.

SIR, In continuation of my letter No. 350 of the 14th of last February, I am directed by His Excellency the Governor, to transmit for the information of your Committee the enclosed copy of a letter from the Acting Colonial Secretary, of the Straits Settlements, respecting the publication of quarantine regulations. I have the honour to be, Sir,  
Your most obedient servant,  
J. BRIDGES SMITH,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

The SECRETARY,  
Chamber of Commerce.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Singapore, 24th March, 1901.

SIR, In reply to your letter No. 349 of the 14th ultimo, transmitting copy of correspondence between the Government of Hongkong and the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce regarding the publication of information regarding quarantine restrictions and inquiring what are the views of this Government on the question, I am directed to inform you that it does not appear reasonable to expect this Government to take such steps for the publication in Singapore of restrictions imposed elsewhere as those suggested by the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce, though it has been arranged that in the event of quarantine restrictions being again imposed on this port in consequence of another outbreak of plague or cholera, notices giving the required information will be posted up in the premises of the Tanjong Pagar Dock Company, for general information.

2. I am, however, to point out that throughout the recent outbreak of cholera, notices were posted in the Singapore Shipping Office in front of the dock at which Agents and Masters clear their vessels, and that the information was also given to all Masters of vessels by the Clerk in charge. A Gazette Notification to the same effect was published, and the local Press was informed.

3. In view of these facts it would appear that the Masters of ships have little reason to complain of the difficulty of obtaining information as to the existence of quarantine restrictions at their port of destination.

I have the honour, Sir,  
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Yours faithfully,  
C. W. S. K. SMITH,  
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### POLICE COURT.

Wednesday, 24th April.

BEFORE MR. HAZELAND.

**DECEIVING A GIRL FROM HER HOME.**  
Lam Fong, a widow, 49, Nuh Lane, describing herself as a fortune-teller, was brought up on remand from Tuesday on two charges: (1) attempting to procure a young girl to be a woman of ill fame, and (2) attempting to procure her to leave the colony to be an inmate of a brothel.

The case for the prosecution was that on the 20th inst. the defendant sent a confidential man, her brother, to persuade three girls, to call at her house and have their fortunes told. The girls came, and were advised by the accused not to be married, as a hard life would be their lot. Instead, she advised them to go to Singapore, where, in the calling she named for them, they would get good clothing and food and plenty of jewellery. After this conversation two of the girls were allowed to go home, but were counselled not to tell their parents anything of what had passed. The third girl—the one mentioned in the charges—was persuaded to stay overnight, and told not to reveal her presence should any of her relatives come to look for her. Early on the morning of the 21st inst., somewhere between four and five, the girl was sent over to Sham Chun in the care of the woman's brother, in order to place her beyond the reach of her friends. The girl was brought back to the colony on the afternoon of the same day. The man, afraid to risk capture by openly walking with her through the streets, told the girl to go back to the woman's house, and went off by himself. Instead of returning to Nuh Lane, the girl went to her parents' house, and narrated her adventures in the morning through the information of the other two girls, the woman had been arrested, and was identified at the police station by the one she had attempted to dupe.

The defendant, in answer to the charges, admitted her guilt and wished to be deported to Chinese territory.

She was sentenced to six months' imprisonment on each charge, the sentences to be concurrent.

### IN LIEU OF BENT.

Tsang Yan Chin, rent collector, was charged with stealing property to the value of \$547.60 from Cheong Yee, contractor, 49, Square Street. The complainant owed the defendant about \$40 for rent, and taking advantage of the former's absence from home, the latter is alleged to have removed furniture to the amount stated, to make good the non-payment of rent. The complainant then obtained a warrant and had him arrested. The defendant pleaded not guilty to the charge, and was represented by Mr. Grist. Mr. Bowley, Crown solicitor, who was to have prosecuted, was not present in court.

Mr. Grist—I have had a note from the Crown solicitor, your Worship, informing me that the summons has been withdrawn.

The hearing was adjourned and the defendant liberated on bail.

### PUBLIC OFFICIAL CHARGED WITH ACCEPTING A BRIBE.

Percy Thomas Crisp, inspector of buildings, Public Works Department, residing at 12, Salisbury Avenue, Kowloon, was charged "that he, then being a public servant, did accept from the complainant, Cheung Sai Kow, a bribe of \$40, with a view to induce him to connive at such public servant, contrary to the rules of honesty and integrity on the 24th inst."

Defendant—Not guilty, Sir.

Inspector McNab, on behalf of Chief Detective Inspector Hanson, who has charge of the case, asked for a remand.

His Worship—I can't take the case before Wednesday, 1st May. I adjourn it till then, at 9.15 a.m.

The defendant was liberated on bail of \$500.

### THE CONFIDENCE TRICK.

The Chinaman who was charged on Monday with obtaining property by false pretences from a tallyman at the Kowloon Government, and remanded pending further possible developments in the case, was again brought up and sentenced to two months' hard labour.

### DEPOSED MR. KEMP.

**THEFT FROM HONGKONG DOCK.**  
A fitter in the employ of the Hongkong Dock Company was sentenced to three months' hard labour for the larceny of \$10 worth of brass, the property of the company. A watchman at the docks saw the defendant coming out of the gate with the brass rolled up in a jacket and sowl, and arrested him.

**CHAIR COOLIES REFUSE TO WORK.**  
Mrs. Collins, residing at 24, Macdonald Street, prosecuted two public chair coolies for refusing to complete their fare on the 21st inst. Mrs. Collins was returning from church, and when she got to Queen's Gardens the defendants, whom she had taken in addition to her own two coolies, refused to go any farther, and set the chair down. They gave no reason for their action beyond the statement that they wanted "chow." The complainant had to take the tram up.

### CARELESS CONTRACTORS.

In the operations attending the process of blasting it is recognized as being essential that care be taken to have the material to be blasted properly weighted and covered, and where these precautions are not observed there is considerable risk to property and life in the presence in the air of huge stones hurled up by the force of the explosion. There were two defaulters in this respect before the court.

Luspector Macdonald prosecuted a Chinese contractor for careless blasting near the Police Station at Yau-mai on the 22nd inst. The stones were projected to a height of seventy feet, and fell within ten feet of houses in Station Street. The defendant, who denied the allegation, was convicted on evidence and fined \$50.

The second case was one brought by Sergeant Carroll against another contractor. In this instance damage was caused by the falling debris to the residence of Mr. Rocha, 37, Robinson Road. A fine of \$100, with \$10 in addition as compensation to Mr. Rocha, was imposed.

### LOST IN THE THEATRE.

When the theatre finished on Tuesday night, and as she was preparing to come away, Miss Jane Howard, residing at Lyndhurst Terrace, discovered that her diamond brooch, valued at \$800, was gone. She saw Sergeant Macdonald on duty outside the theatre, and reported her loss to him. He was proceeding upstairs to investigate the matter, when he met the Chinese attendants coming away. They were at once turned back to assist in the search, but at the end of half-an-hour the brooch was still missing. As a last resource, the attendants were ranged up and searched. The pockets of one or two had been emptied, when one whose turn was coming anticipated Sergeant Macdonald by handing him the brooch, remarking—"Is this what you want? I found it on the floor." He was immediately arrested on a charge of larceny.

The case was remanded till 1st prox., at 2.15 p.m. It is the intention of the defendant to engage a solicitor.

### MOSQUITOES AND MALARIA.

**THE OTHER SIDE.**  
A writer in the *Rangoon Gazette's* editorial columns criticises the mosquito-malaria theory as follows:—

There is a decided opinion among those investigating the theory that there is something wrong, some unconscious error of observation, and the majority of men still believe that malaria, like cholera, can only be taken into the system by water. The test given by the two doctors of the life of living in a healthy farmhouse through its worst months has been and is being carried out—not as they did it in mosquito-proof houses—but by drinking carefully boiled water, and the tests have been equally successful with those of the above savants, who being doctors were probably equally as careful of the water as they were of the mosquitoes. Natives who live in malarial districts invariably connect fever with certain streams or wells and talk of the water being haunted by a devil. This belief is not confined to one nation or tribe, but is commonly held in all parts of the uncivilised world. If the mosquito had been the source of fever, experience would have taught them to dread the pest as much as they do certain clear and sparkling streams, where water apparently pure has, upon experiment, been found to bring on fever. There is still so much doubt about the mosquito theory, and so much evidence in favour of the water theory, that people will do well to wait for further developments and further direct proof before they accept implicitly the words of the present prophets who, like most people now-a-days, have done their work in a hurry.

### THE MURDER OF BRITISH SAILORS AT NAGASAKI.

The *Nagasaki Press* relates that the funeral of Stoker Brooks, of H.M.S. *Barfleur*, who died of injuries inflicted by French soldiers, took place on the 15th inst., attended by a large contingent from the above-named battleship. The coffin was placed upon a gun-carriage, enveloped in the Union Jack, and there were many beautiful floral tributes. The cortege was preceded by a firing party, followed by the crew in charge of the gun-carriage bearing the body. The rest of the procession was formed by a large number of officers and men from the *Barfleur*, who accompanied the remains to the place of interment in Urakami cemetery.

The latest report in connection with the affair is that the French soldiers who took part in the murderous assault will be brought back to Nagasaki for identification, and that H.B.M. Consul, Mr. Longford, is detaining two witnesses who claim that they are able to recognize the man that stabbed Snell (the man who died on the 10th inst.). One of the witnesses is an American soldier, and it is stated that the American Consul has advised the man to stay here, paying his board at one of the local hotels. How much of this is true the *Nagasaki Press* is unable to say.

This seems a remarkable wind-up to a theatrical tour in the Native States.—The fascinations of Pahang as a place of residence have been well exemplified in the case of the theatrical company which visited us from Selangor early in the year. After playing with success for long spells at both Raub and Kuala Lipis, the company has been disbanded instead of returning to the place whence it came. Every one of the actresses has elected to settle in Pahang, the majority having found husbands for themselves, while quite a large proportion of the actors have said farewell to the profession and settled down to business in Raub.

### EXPORT CARGO.

Per P. & O. steamer *Candia*, sailed on the 18th April. For London—50 bales waste silk, 20 cases canvas, 9 cases effects, 1 box cigars, 1 box chutnies, 20 pkgs. dry preserves, 12 cases woodware, 28 cases Chinaware, 440 rolls mats and matting, 2 boxes curios, 2 boxes preserves, 1 box hardware, 1 box sundries. For Glasgow—3 cases blackwoodware. For Manchester—135 bales waste silk.

### LATE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS VIA RANGOON.

### THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

LONDON, 6th April.

**THE STATES AND THE WAR.**  
Agents (2 of the Boers) having applied for an injunction to prevent the shipments of mules from New Orleans for South Africa, the Washington Department of Justice states that American Courts cannot judge in a litigation between two other governments.

LONDON, 8th April.

**SEVERE MEASURES.**  
The Cape Gazette to-morrow will notify that acts of rebellion committed after the 12th inst. will be subject to the old common law instead of the mild penalties of the Special Tribunals Act.

### RELIEF OF VOLUNTEERS.

Lord Kitchener has informed Mr. Brodick that 24 Volunteer Companies have been released by relief and will shortly embark for Home, and that arrangements are progressing for the speedy relief of the others.

### MORE NEW ZEALANDERS READY.

The seventh New Zealand Contingent, 600 strong, has embarked at Wellington for South Africa. The Governor-in-addressing the men said he believed a further Contingent would be unnecessary, but that New Zealand would send more if required.

LONDON, 10th April.

**THE BOER RETREAT ACROSS THE ORANGE.**  
Details of the retreat of the Boers across the Orange River last week state that the commando, who were mostly rebels, took two days crossing on improvised rafts with carts. Twelve men were drowned. Murray's column arrived in time to use their Maxims effectively on the last remnants.

### PLUMMER'S CAPTURE.

Colonel Plummer took sixty prisoners and a seven-pounder at Pieterburg, and destroyed a quantity of ammunition.

### MR RHODES WELL.

It is announced from Kimberley that Mr. Cecil Rhodes is in normal health.

### GENERAL NEWS.

LONDON, 5th April.

**THE KAISER AND THE SULTAN.**  
During the Balm reception at Constantinople a shock of earthquake occurred, bringing down the plaster of the ceiling. General alarm was felt, but the Sultan was quite composed and ordered the reception to proceed. The Emperor of Germany sent a remarkable telegram congratulating the Sultan on the manifest interposition of Providence to protect his precious life and extolling the example of bravery set by him.

This explains the rather mysterious announcement about the Kaiser's telegram to the Sultan.

### UNBURY SOLDIERS AT PERING.

LONDON, 8th April.

The diplomatists at Peking are becoming doubtful as to the expediency of keeping Legation guards of 2,000 men in a confined space in the Legation quarter, fearing friction. Several Ministers have already been insulted by foreign soldiers. German soldiers recently stopped Mr. Rockhill, the American Minister, and Sir E. Satow, the British Minister, returning from duty, through their worst months has been and is being carried out—not as they did it in mosquito-proof houses—but by drinking carefully boiled water, and the tests have been equally successful with those of the above savants, who being doctors were probably equally as careful of the water as they were of the mosquitoes. Natives who live in malarial districts invariably connect fever with certain streams or wells and talk of the water being haunted by a devil. This belief is not confined to one nation or tribe, but is commonly held in all parts of the uncivilised world. If the mosquito had been the source of fever, experience would have taught them to dread the pest as much as they do certain clear and sparkling streams, where water apparently pure has, upon experiment, been found to bring on fever. There is still so much doubt about the mosquito theory, and so much evidence in favour of the water theory, that people will do well to wait for further developments and further direct proof before they accept implicitly the words of the present prophets who, like most people now-a-days, have done their work in a hurry.

### THE BALKAN STATES.

The *Daily Telegraph* Vienna correspondent says the Macedonian leaders were arrested on the eve of starting for Macedonia, where the outbreak of the rebellion was planned for yesterday.

### ART ROMANCE—RECOVERY OF A STOLEN GAINSBOROUGH.

Mr. Agnew, the art collector, has arrived in London from Chicago bringing back the stolen Gainsborough picture, "The Duchess of Devonshire," which has been recovered by American detectives in the Western States. The circumstances of the recovery are unknown even to Mr. Agnew.

The mystery has given rise to numerous extravagant reports. The picture is not damaged.

London, 9th April.

Mr. Agnew says he knows nothing of the sensational stories about it. He dealt only with detectives in England and America and pays the reward of one thousand pounds originally offered, and nothing more.

### LORD ROBERTS.

LONDON, 9th April.

Lord Roberts has accepted the Honorary Colony of the Royal Canadian Artillery.

### TROUBLES IN SCOTLAND.

LONDON, 9th April.

There is a renewal of the land troubles in Scotland. A large body of crofters seized a part of the estate of the North Uist Islands. Numbers of police have been drafted to the island, and it is expected that Marines will be landed.

### JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

LONDON, 9th April.

The *Standard* publishes a telegram from Odessa which says that several prominent political journals are already discussing the possibility of an armed collision between Russia and Japan.

### ARMY NEWS.

LONDON, 10th April.

The formation of the first and second Battalions of the new Giments is progressing, and it is expected both will be despatched to the Mediterranean by the end of the month.

### FRANCO-RUSSIAN RELATIONS.

LONDON, 10th April.

The Russian squadron returned to Villefranche last afternoon from Barcelona. President Loubet and M. Delcasse received and banqueted the Russian Admiral and staff at Nico. The Russian Admiral announced that the Tsar directed him to salute President Loubet, who replied that the visit was a fresh proof of the constancy of the Tsar's friendship for his ally. The Russian visit to Villefranche has given the keenest satisfaction in Paris, and is dispelling the recent apprehensions that the Franco-Russian relations were less cordial.

M. Delcasse will stay at St. Petersburg from the 22nd to 27th inst.

### FRANCE AND ITALY.

LONDON, 10th April.

The Duke of Genoa landed at Toulon to-day and was received with the greatest heartiness and charmed all Frenchmen by the simplicity of his demeanour. The Duke of Italian sailed afterwards and was well received, but little enthusiasm was displayed.

LONDON, 10th April.

President Loubet has arrived at Toulon, escorted by a French squadron. Heartiest greetings were exchanged between the French and Italian fleets. The Duke of Genoa landed and conferred alone with M. Loubet and invested him with the Order of the Annunziata. M. Loubet afterwards telegraphed to King Victor Emmanuel thanking him for the despatch of the Emperor. President Loubet further said that he hoped for the happy realization of Queen Helena's hopes and for the prosperity of Italy, the friend of France.

### INDIAN TELEGRAMS.

ARMY NEWS.

Simla, 6th April.

There is no official confirmation of Reuter's report of Indian Cavalry being likely to be sent home to form a Bodyguard for the King, but it is understood that Lord Roberts has long been in favour of some such arrangement, which would probably work excellently if the Contingent were relieved annually from India.

Until the return of General Barrow from China, Colonel De Brath will officiate as Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, while Colonel Wilson, now Judge Advocate-General, Bengal, will act as Deputy Secretary vice Colonel De Brath.

### THE BOER PRISONERS.

Simla, 6th April.

Five hundred Boer prisoners now at Cape Town are to be sent to Ahmednagar, arriving in Bombay about the 30th inst.

### Simla, 10th April.

The *Howarden Castle* left Cape Town on the 2nd April for Bombay, carrying Surgeon-General Sappie, R.A.M.C., Major Oswald, 16th Lancers, also 512 Boer prisoners of war, of whom seventeen rank as officers, accompanied by Mr. C. E. Nixon as Consul and interpreter for the location at Ahmednagar. An escort of fifteen officers and 101 men of various corps, one Civil Surgeon, one Comptroller, and two Nursing Sisters, are also aboard, but return to South Africa after heading over the prisoners at Bombay.

### FAVOURABLE RELIEF.

Simla, 11th April.

A further increase of thirteen thousand took place last week in the numbers under Famine Relief in the Bombay Presidency.

### SIR CLAUDE MACDONALD AND THE LOOT SALES.

The *Kobe Chronicle* of 18th inst. publishes the following letter from Sir Claude Macdonald on the subject of the alleged loot sales at the British Legation in Peking:—

"Sir,—In your issue of the 2nd inst., under the heading 'The British Looting in China,' you publish some remarks by a correspondent of the *Manila Times* respecting the so-called 'Loot sales' in the British Legation. Amongst these remarks occur the following: 'It is a matter of history that having carefully soaked every corner of the districts occupied by the British, the soldiers were made to turn in their loot, which was stored in a large godown in the Imperial Carriage Park, etc.'"

I was in Peking from the 14th August until the 25th October, during which time I took almost daily walks and rides through the districts occupied (and policed) by the British military authorities. On these excursions I was sometimes accompanied by members of my General staff, and on other occasions by the British officers who were specially selected and placed in police charge of these districts, and I have no hesitation in saying that the above statement, as well as the greater part of the correspondent's remarks you have published, are absolutely untrue.

The following is the result of personal observation and inquiry. Within a very short time of our taking charge, and certainly within a fortnight of the entry of the relieving force, excellent order prevailed throughout the districts in question. Such Chinamen as had not fled were allowed to remain in possession of their houses and were not in any way molested; of such houses there were many hundreds, and I have personally spoken to several of the owners, who have expressed the gratitude for the kindness they have received from the Military Police. Some two weeks after the entry of the troops I was present at a large market in the north-east district of the 'Chinese' City, at thousands of men and women were busy buying and selling as if there had been no siege of Peking; within a month, pawn-shops and banks, invariable signs of Chinese confidence, were opened. This district, one of shops and houses of the middle class, was in charge of Captain Barrow of the Bengal Cavalry, who before I left had received numerous testimonials and 'presentations' unobtainable from respectable Chinese of the shopkeeper class, in recognition of his humane and kind treatment of them and their families.

In the south-west corner of the 'Tartar' City, inhabited for the most part by wealthy Mandarins and high officials, an efficient police service had been organised under Captain Selwyn of the Bengal Lancers. Within a very short time this quarter had also resumed its normal aspect, with the exception that a few during my four and a half years in Peking had I seen the streets so clean, the result of an order that all householders were personally responsible for the cleanliness of the road in front of their houses.

The same remark applies to the south-east corner of the 'Imperial' City, policed and garrisoned by the Australian Bluejackets. So much for the statement that 'every corner of the districts occupied by the British had been carefully sacked.'

The *Manila* correspondent also says: 'If the troops did not loot, where did the enormous quantities of silks, porcelains, etc., come from, which were sold by auction under the 'Tiger' in front of Sir Claude Macdonald's house in the Legation?' In the quarter of 'Tartar' City to which I have alluded lived many wealthy Mandarins and high officials who had taken a prominent part in the Boxer rising, notably two whose names figure on the list of offenders marked out for capital punishment by the Peace Commission. These individuals and their families had fled in haste, leaving their houses and palaces open to the street, before the district had been taken charge of, most of these houses had been partially looted by the neighbours and by bad characters with which the city abounded, and also doubtless by individual soldiers of all nationalities. By the order of the military authorities these houses were emptied of their remaining contents—silks, porcelains, curios, &c.; these were taken in commissariat carts and military escort to the large godown in the Imperial Carriage Park and subsequently sold by public auction (following the precedent of 1890), and the proceeds were placed to the credit of a Prize Fund. When I left Peking no division of this Prize Fund had taken place, but instructions for its disposal had been applied for from the home authorities. The empty houses and palaces were converted into quarters and a military hospital for the troops, who would otherwise have had to bivouac in the streets of the dirtiest city in the world. I have since heard that a great part of the Prize Fund has been expended in buying rice for the starving poor in Peking during the winter months.

The statement of the anonymous *Manila* correspondent, which you were at pains to reproduce that 'General Gascoigne authorized looting, and even pocketed some of its proceeds, and that the lion's share' would seem therefore to be as untrue as it is lacking in good taste. Anybody who has the honour of General Gascoigne's acquaintance will know that a more honourable, upright, and humane soldier does not exist.

I do not wish to enter into a controversy as to whether the sackings ought or ought not to have taken place, or whether the

palaces of men who had been the cause of so much misery to their own people, as well as to ours, should have been occupied by our troops, as they were, from stern necessity; I simply state the facts as I saw them, and I can only speak as does the *Manila* correspondent, of the districts policed and garrisoned by our own people.

You are quite at liberty to publish the above. Believe me, yours truly,  
CLAUDE M. MACDONALD.



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F. B. L. BOWLEY,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th April, 1901.

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NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Office of the undersigned, No. 14, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 2nd May, 1901, at 10 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of electing a Consulting Committee.

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GEO. P. LAMBERT,

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Hongkong, 25th April, 1901.

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DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be issued and posted on and after THURSDAY, the 25th instant.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED for Registration of Shares from the 24th to the 27th instant, both days inclusive.

By Order.

J. W. KEW, Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd April, 1901.

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Share Lists will CLOSE on the 30th day of April, 1901.

Hongkong, 4th April, 1901.

HALL & HOLTZ, LIMITED.

THE NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Company's premises, Nanjing Road, on TUESDAY, April 30th, at 11 o'clock A.M., when the Balance Sheet and Accounts for the year ended 28th February, 1901, will be presented.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 24th to 30th April inclusive.

By Order of the Directors.

E. PALMER, Secretary.

Shanghai, 12th April, 1901.

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NOTICE.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are hereby notified that from the 1st April, instant, interest at the rate of TWELVE PER CENT. PER ANNUM will be CHARGED on all UNPAID CALLS until further notice.

ELLIS KELLY, General Manager.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1901.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM BONUS of Twenty per cent. upon Contributions for the year 1900, has been declared.

Warrants will be issued on the 1st May.

By Order of the Board.

W. J. SAUNDERS, Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th April, 1901.

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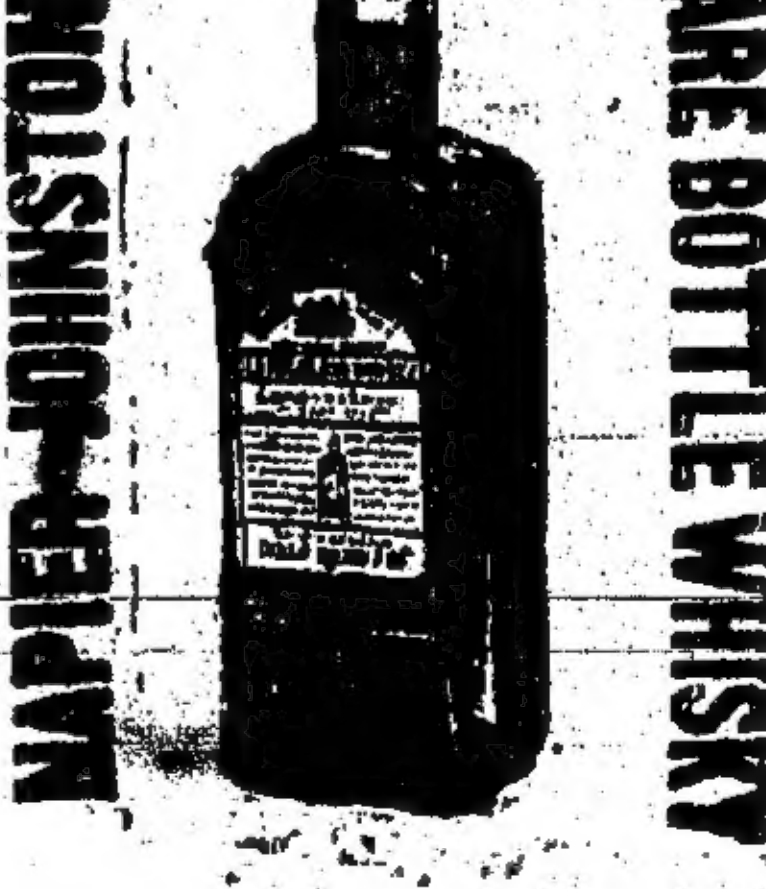
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